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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on whole body hens and toms was steady to fully steady. Market activity slow to moderate. Inquiry was light to moderate with most interest for out front deliveries. Parts and meats trading was slow to start the week as most buyers continue to keep inventories close. Demand was moderate to good. The market tone on parts and meats was mixed.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was inactive. Demand for product limited. Offerings fully adequate.

LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB)				
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS				
	RANGE			
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	70-77			
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	77-83			
BREASTS 10-12#	120			
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP				
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS	RANGE			
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96			
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96			
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	68-69			
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	66-70			
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WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/	1				FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS						()			
EASTERN REGION 3/	61-64	-	-	-	_	_	_	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	61-64	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	62-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	60-62	-	-	-	_	_	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	59-62	-	-	-	_	_	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	58-62	-	-	-	_	_	_	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degress F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes product swith 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 8 MARCH 2004.

The market tone on white meat was steady to firm. Inquiry mixed, mostly fair. Offerings were held with confidence. The thigh meat market was steady to instances weak with decreasing confidence in the frozen market becoming more apparent. Fresh thigh meat demand light to fair, frozen sluggish. Fresh thigh meat offerings in a full range, mostly adequate. Frozen thigh meat offerings light to instances burdensome, mostly adequate to fully adequate with lower trending offering prices being noted. The tom bulk parts undertone was steady to barely steady on drums and 2-joint wings, steady to instances firm on necks and full-cut wings. Trading slow on all items.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	91.95	800
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		F	152.00	29
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	83.00		83.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	54.57	140
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	56.20	100
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	55.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	46.33	60
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		F	45.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	34.00		34.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	79.33	60
NECKS, TOM		F	57.75	160
NECKS, HEN		W	55.00	17
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	182.62	470
THIGH MEAT		M	86.00	20
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	90.80	300
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	104.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT				
TENDERLOINS		W	142.00	9
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	153.00	440
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	169.35	130
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	90.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	34.19	840

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM
TAILS
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

^{2/} Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

^{3/} Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

^{4/15-20%} fat with skin added.